IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of:

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Jean-Paul Gilbert Ricol et al Group Art Unit: 3774

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For: COMPOSITE PROSTHETIC IMPLANT

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

In regard to the restriction requirement in the Office Action of October 29, 2008 (Paper No. 20081024), applicant submits the following response.

DEPOSIT ACCOUNT AUTHORIZATION

It is not believed that extensions of time are required, beyond those which may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 20-0778.